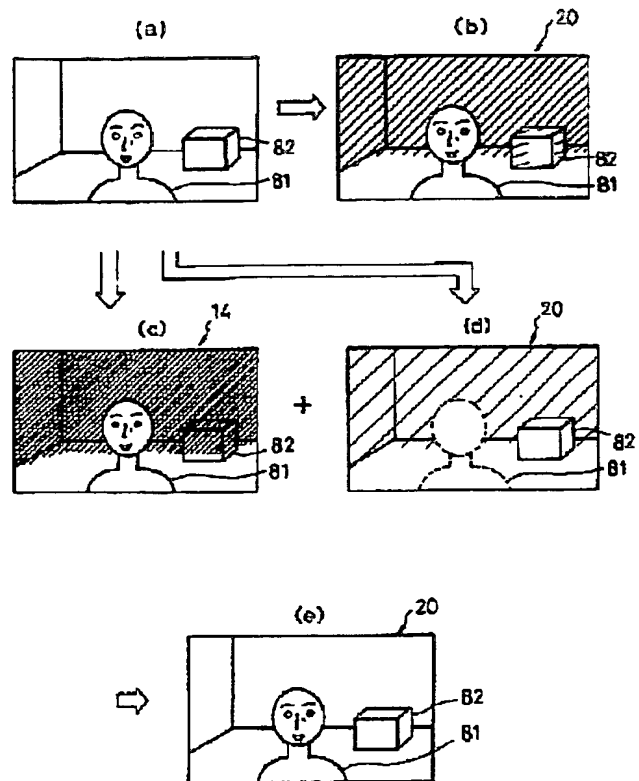


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ABSTRACT : PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide the image of suitable lightness when picking up the image of an object having a perspective difference in darkness.

SOLUTION: When performing the stroboscopic image pickup of a central object 81 and a background object 82, first of all, stroboscopic image pickup is performed while matching the amount of stroboscopic light emission with the central object 81 of a through image (b) through one time of shutter operation, and a first stroboscopic image (c) is provided and temporarily stored in a memory. Next, stroboscopic image pickup is performed while matching the amount of stroboscopic light emission with the background object 82 of the first stroboscopic image, and a second stroboscopic image (d) is provided and temporarily stored in the memory. Then, a synthetic image (e) picked up with the proper quantity of light is provided by cutting the part of luminance within a fixed range out of the luminance of the central object 81 in the first stroboscopic image and overwriting it on the second stroboscopic image.

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